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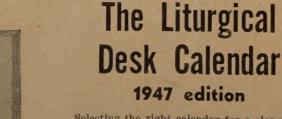
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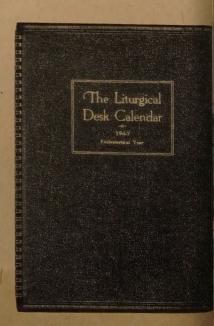
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TO THE EDITOR: Interest was aroused amongst your readers last spring by a letter from a correspondent [L.C., March 3d] telling of a series of excellent recordings of English Church music which she had imported a few years ago. There was some confusion as to the facts, doubtless due to no fault of your correspondent, and the matter was, so to speak, left hanging in the air.

As one who has been a record collector in a modest way for the past 35 years, I have been interested to discover what the facts are, and am now making this report in the belief that it may interest and possibly help some other readers of

THE LIVING CHURCH.

The records to which your correspondent referred were five in number and were recorded and manufactured by the Columbia Graphophone Co., Ltd., Hayes, Middlesex, England—commonly referred to by American collectors of recordings as English Columbia.

Here follows a letter received from English Columbia, dated October 23d and containing interesting and helpful information:

We . . . confirm that while we are the manufacturers of the sacred recordings quoted in your letter, they are of a private nature and can only be obtained from the Royal School of Church Music (School of English Church Music), Roper House, St. Dunstan's Street, Canterbury, Kent.

We are currently manufacturing quantities of these records for the above organization of the same and the same are the strength of the same are same and the same are same and the same are same and the same are same as the same are same and the same are same as the same are

We are currently manufacturing quantities of these records for the above organization, although we are aware that they are experiencing considerable difficulty in exporting these records to America owing to the existing currency regulations, etc.

The Evening Service on records ROX-186/7/8 was recorded from a broadcast, whereas the Merbecke Communion Service (ROX-189) and Brother Lames' Air coupled

The Evening Service on records ROX-186/7/8 was recorded from a broadcast, whereas the Merbecke Communion Service (ROX-189) and Brother James' Air coupled with "O Lovely Peace" (ROX-190), together with many other hymn recordings were made in the Church of the Holy Sepulchre, Holborn, London.

Holborn, London.

Special arrangements were made for us to issue these two items contained on ROX-190 in the standard Columbia repertoire, the number of which is DX-1032.

You could not obtain copies of these rec-

You could not obtain copies of these records as you would other Columbia recordings, as we are under contractual arrangements not to supply direct, although we see no reason why an attempt should not be made to get them from the Royal School of Church Music.

In this connection we might add that a small consignment of sacred records will shortly be shipped to Messrs. H. Royer Smith Co., 10th and Walnut Streets, Philadelphia, Pa., and therefore suggest that these people may be in a position to help you.

The attention of readers of THE LIVING CHURCH who may be interested in fine recordings of English Church music is called to the last paragraph in the letter quoted above. It should be added that RCA Victor, whose name was mentioned in your correspondence columns last spring, has no connection with these recordings in any way.

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Let's Go Visiting

OST teachers never improve their teaching because they never observe other teachers at work. Whether you have taught one year or 20, ask yourself, "How many classes have I actually visited since I was a child?" Only a few can be recalled, and these usually not effective or helpful. Indeed, just as it is unfortunately true that "preachers seldom hear sermons" (because they must all be in their pulpits at the same hour), so it is true that teachers, being all engaged with their work at the same hour, cannot see other teachers.

Yet the value of visiting a good teacher is obvious, and is widely used as a means of preparing teachers in the public institutes, and for their improvement through the years. One of my earliest recollections of school days was our half day of liberty for teachers' "visiting day." Then we children might "visiting day." have vaguely wondered whom the teachers visited. But we cared only for the freedom, and remembered that our entire school building was closed. Looking back, I can realize that, by arrangement of the board of education, neighboring schools were in session that afternoon, and that our teacher had been required, as part of her job, to visit the room assigned of the same grade.

TEACHERS IN A RUT

When a rector or superintendent finds that a certain teacher is not doing good work, the most immediate encouragement and help that can be given is by arranging a visit to "see how it's done in other places." This can be done much more readily than offering a book to read, or even by a personal conference. The leader can say tactfully, "You say the children don't respond. Perhaps you have run out of ideas. Miss Anderson, who has our fifth grade, is an old hand. I always get help when I listen at her class." And so, by a little persuasion, you induce the teacher to spend the entire period the following Sunday with Miss Anderson's class. You provide a substitute for her class that day.

When a teacher of eighth grade boys feels that he cannot manage them, and is not getting the lesson across, he might be reminded that these same boys are sitting in the public school, in classes often four or five times as large as those at church, and for five hours a day, five days every week. Their teachers who

accomplish this miracle are ordinary, telligent people, whose equipment is certain amount of training, and tknow-how of experience. That kno how can be caught. The best and si plest way is to see them in action, no to hear them tell of it.

Therefore, when I think a teach needs special improvement in class roo procedures, and fundamental devices, tell him he ought to arrange his wo so he can drop in at the corresponding room in one of the public schools. If does, he may see some of the same puphe has on Sunday, obediently studying copying, reciting, with none of the rudness, noise or unruliness he has come associate with his Sunday school period. Then he notices just how the teach worded her requests, how she manage the distribution of supplies, moving about, reciting.

After such a visit, when a Churcheacher had taken notes for the entiafternoon session of a sixth grade root the following was handed to the recto

"Some Methods I Observed"

"She never raised her voice. The seemed to listen harder when she talke very quietly. She was strict, but the seemed to like her. Only one person we allowed to talk at once. No lolling seats. The children couldn't kick under the table as we are arranged at church short periods of silent study in text Discussion period was about something they had already studied, not about ne material, not just pumping for idea One bright pupil was allowed to conforward and conduct a review, phrasing the questions himself. Teacher knew he stuff, but she let them dig it out, didning just tell them everything."

Some parishes, to make this visiting reality, arrange a Sunday when they are no classes, but the whole school kept together, after the opening, for movie or special speaker. The teacher have all, by arrangement, gone over to neighboring parish, where the authorities (properly forewarned) have a little better than usual performance for the benefit of their visitors. In smalle towns, with only one parish, it has bee found helpful to visit special classes (barrangement with the pastors) in goo Sunday schools of other churches.

The best way is to prepare for the visiting day by a general teachers' meeting where the method is explained, an all teachers are given an outline opoints to be observed, with notes.

To Living Church

FIRST SUNDAY IN ADVENT

GENERAL

SCOPATE

op Bennett Elected esan of Rhode Island

e Rt. Rev. Granville Gaylord Ben-D.D., was elected Bishop of Rhode l at a special convention held in athedral of St. John, Providence, lovember 19th. Bishop Bennett, had previously been Suffragan of ocese, was elected on the first baleceiving 37 clerical and 161 lay The only other nominee was the Ernest Victor Kennan, rector of anuel Church, Baltimore, Md., received 31 clerical and 78 lay There were 69 clerical and 239 otes cast, of which 35 clerical and ay were necessary for election. hop Bennett has served in the Diof Rhode Island since 1932, first as iary and then as Suffragan Bishop. e coming to the diocese he was p of Duluth from 1921 to 1930,

ill health forced him to cease active histration of that diocese. When p Perry, retired Bishop of Rhode d, was elected Presiding Bishop he for an assistant to aid in the adtraction of his diocese, and Dr. Benserved as Auxiliary Bishop for the five years. He was elected Suffrant 1938.

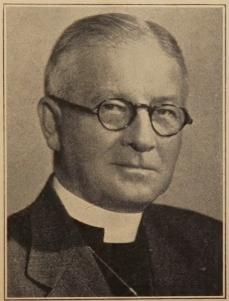
Bennett was born in Deadwood, in 1882. He was a missionary g the Ojibway Indians for many and worked in the Dioceses of ana and Nebraska, before his con-

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secration to the episcopate in 1920. He was educated at the University of Nebraska and the Seabury Divinity School.

Bishop Bennett was married to Miss Margaret Graves in 1907. She died several years later. They had two daughters: Mrs. Robert C. Gwin, Jr., Barrington, R. I., and Mrs. John F. Moulds, Jr., Sacramento, Calif. In 1933 he was married to Miss Mary Roswell Horr. They have one son, Peter.

Dr. Bennett's enthronement will take place as soon as a concurrent majority of the consents of bishops and standing committees has been received.

RURAL WORK

Conference in Des Moines Of Rural Church Workers

Twenty-eight rural workers from 15 dioceses were among the delegates from 34 religious groups who met at Des Moines, Iowa, November 12th to 14th to consider rural advances which must be made. Among the commissions of the third National Convocation on the Church in Town and Country which were headed by Churchmen were Worship for the Rural Church, by the Rev. E. Dargan Butt of Seabury-Western

Theological Seminary, and Interrelations of City and Rural Churches by Bishop Haines of Iowa.

The feature of the meeting was a speech by Msgr. Luigi Ligutti, who welcomed the delegates to "rural Rome," as Des Moines is known because of the rural work centered there. Msgr. Ligutti said, "Rural America should be Protestant, historically, but it isn't. Institutions are means and not ends; the Church is a means for the development of human personality. The countryside is the greatest helper of the Church. What doth it profit to gain an automobile standard of living and lose the growth of the Spirit?" He told the assembled clergy that "the wife of a minister is much more important in the country than the minister; the reason I am not married is that I don't want competition." Msgr. Ligutti urged Christian leadership in all of life and said that a reasonable good

will is a sign of Christianity.

The Episcopal Rural Fellowship held a meeting to consider plans to consolidate the "beachhead" established at General Convention. It was decided that better seminary training was the immediate ob-

iective.

POLISH CATHOLICS

Bishops and Clergy Guests Of Bishop Ivins at Lunch

To mark the achievement of intercommunion between the Episcopal and Polish National Catholic Churches, which

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BISHOPS OBSERVE ACHIEVEMENT OF INTERCOMMUNION.*

was reached in October by action of the Polish Synod [L.C., November 3d], Bishop Ivins of Milwaukee on November 21st was host at a luncheon for bishops and clergy of the two Churches in the area. The luncheon was attended by Bishop Bonczak and Bishop Grochowski, Polish Bishops of Milwaukee and Chicago, Bishop Sturtevant of Fond du Lac, and a number of priests of the two communions.

Bishop Grochowski, who made the principal speech of the meeting, expressed the hope of a growing friendship between the two Churches, and the further hope "that we will help each other to perform our mission. Your Church is well established. We are a newer Church, but we have ambition to grow and to spread our movement in America and Poland. Even without intercommunion we have had coöperation between the two Churches. Already there have been fruits." He reported that at the present time there are nine congregations of his Church in Chicago.

Bishop Sturtevant of Fond du Lac, when introduced by Bishop Ivins, told of discovering that there were four congregations of the Polish Church in his diocese. As one of the Episcopal representatives to the Federal Council of Churches, he expressed the hope that in time the Polish Church would affiliate with that group and through it work with the World Council.

When Bishop Bonczak of Milwaukee was introduced, he introduced his clergy after a few remarks on the friendly relations enjoyed between the two Churches. Among the Polish priests present were ones from Chicago, Milwaukee and

other parts of Wisconsin, and Minneapolis. Bishop Ivins had previously introduced the clergy present from the Episcopal Diocese of Milwaukee.

Episcopalians and Polish Catholics To Hold Meetings in Pittsburgh

The first of a series of meetings of a committee of the Diocese of Pittsburgh on relations with non-Roman groups with representatives of the Polish National Catholic Church was held on November 12th in Calvary Church, Pittsburgh. The meeting began with a celebration of the Holy Eucharist, at which the rector, the Rev. Lauriston L. Scaife, was celebrant, assisted by the Very Rev. Francis J. Siematkowski, senior priest of the Buffalo-Pittsburgh Diocese of the Polish Church.

The discussion period which followed was devoted to a study of means of furthering the coöperation between the two communions. Each Polish priest was presented with a copy of the Prayer Book by Dr. Scaife, and at future meetings the liturgies of the two communions will be studied. A great service of thanksgiving for the recent action confirming intercommunion between the Episcopal Church and the Polish Church will be held at Calvary Church in January.

As a further sign of the cooperation of the two communions, the Rev. B. Franklin Barker, rector of St. Stephen's

*Left to right: the Rt. Rev. Harwood Sturtevant, Episcopal Bishop of Fond du Lac; the Rt. Rev. Francis Bonczak, Polish Bishop of Milwaukee; the Rt. Rev. Benjamin P. F. Ivins, Episcopal Bishop of Milwaukee; the Rt. Rev. Leon Grochowski, Bishop of the Western Diocese of the Polish Church.

Church, McKeesport, Pa., was in char of the Holy Family Polish Nation Catholic Church during the absence the priest. It is believed that this is t first time such an action has taken pla since intercommunion was approved the Synod of the Polish Catholic Church

BOOKS

\$5,000 Award to Be Given

The William B. Eerdmans Publishi Company has announced an Evangelic Book Award of \$5,000 which will given to the author of a book in the fie of Evangelical Christianity. The fir date for submission of manuscripts September 1, 1947. All unpublish manuscripts in the above field, excefiction, are eligible. Questions concering the rules should be addressed to t Evangelical Book Award, William Eerdmans Publishing Co., 255 Jeffers Ave., SE, Grand Rapids 3, Mich.

Presiding Bishop's Book for Len

Christian Perfection by Archbish Fénélon, has been selected as the Presing Bishop's book for Lent, 1947. The book is translated by Mrs. Mildr Stillman, edited and with introducto material by Professor Charles F. What ton. The book is published by Harper

CANADA

Archbishop Lauds Conversations

Current attempts by the Church England in Canada and the Unit Church of Canada to achieve closer lationships are but one aspect of a "que for that one Holy Catholic Church which we all in our different ways press allegiance," the Most Rev. Derw T. Owen, Archbishop of Toronto at Primate of all Canada, declared in Qubec.

Delivering his presidential address the annual meeting of the Canadi Council of Churches, Dr. Owen call the effort toward unity of Christi bodies "a high and noble adventure." I pointed out that similar "conversation as those taking place with the Unit Church also are proceeding with the Presbyterian Church in Canada and the Baptist Federation of Canada.

UNITED NATIONS

Investigation of Archbishop Stepinac's Treatment Urged

The National Conference of Chr tians and Jews has urged that the Unit Nations conduct an "impartial investig tion" into the treatment accorded t Most Rev. Louis Stepinac, Archbish

enced to 16 months' imprisonment llaboration with the Nazis. In a sent to Senator Warren R. Ausnief US delegate to the UN, the rence declared that an investigavas necessary because "persecution norities leads to world war." The

greb, Yugoslavia, who was recent-

t came as the result of a report ted by the Committee on Human s, composed of James N. Rosen-New York attorney, chairman; e N. Shuster, president of Hun-ollege; and Henry Noble Mcen, president-emeritus of Vassar

e report cited the following points:

Stepinac refused to collaborate he puppet Pavelic.

He protested Nazi racial theories iti-Semitism.

He took refugee Jews into his ome and encouraged his priests and

to do likewise.

He declared in a sermon that the lic Church would never admit that ice or nation has the right to force nination on smaller races or nations. He stated that Germans were reble for the bombing of German cities e the Nazis started the practice of ng cities. As a result of this declara-OYugoslav priests were arrested by azis."

cordingly, we believe that an imparvestigation by the United Nations of cts concerning the treatment accordthe Archbishop and to Catholics genby the Yugoslav government is vitalessary. We believe it to be properly the functions of the United Nations se Naziism has proved to a war-torn that persecution of minorities leads rld war.

OMIC ENERGY

Endorses Commission

e Church League for Industrial cracy has issued a statement coming the President for appointing an vilian Atomic Energy Commission. nenting on the appointment of I Lilienthal as head of the comn, the statement said, "Mr. Lilienthrough years of consecrated work the Tennessee Valley Authority, roved himself to be a true servant

CHURCH CALENDAR

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of the people, and, as such, we feel that we could not have a better man in the position that you have now given him.

EDUCATION

Association Changes Name

The National Association of Directors of Christian Education has changed its name to the Episcopal Educational Association; Mrs. Harold C. Kelleran, consultant in Christian education for the Diocese of Washington, was elected

Other officers elected were: vicepresident, Frances Bailey, St. Louis; secretary, Cornelia Van B. Harris, Wilmington, Del.; and treasurer, Elizabeth Wynkoop, Hartford, Conn.

NATIONAL COUNCIL

Mr. Purdie Joins Staff

The Rev. J. Arnold Purdie, formerly director of the Jennie Clarkson Home for children, is joining the staff of the Division of Christian Social Relations of the National Council, December 1st. He is filling a vacancy as assistant secretary with major responsibility for work with child care and other organized social service activities of the Church.

Mr. Purdie is a graduate of the University of Manitoba, Wycliffe College, and the New York School of Social Work, and has spent his entire ministry in the field of social relations. He has been assistant to the director of the chaplaincy division of the New York Protestant Episcopal City Mission Society and has served on the commission on prison chaplains of the Federal Council.



NEW SOCIAL SERVICE SECRETARY: the Rev. J. Arnold Purdie.

$WORLD\ COUNCIL$

Tubercular Clergy Cared For

Swedish churches have offered to arrange for care of 20 tubercular pastors, it was announced in Geneva by the department of reconstruction and inter-Church aid of the World Council of Churches. The offer was made in response to a recent letter from the committee asking reconstruction committees in various European countries for names of pastors needing special medical and nursing care.

The Swedish pastors will be taken care of in private homes and expenses will be defrayed by the World Council. According to Dr. J. Hutchison Cockburn, director of the reconstruction department, more requests have been received for aid to ailing pastors than can be handled at present. [RNS]

ENGLAND

Archbishop Urges Relief To German People

Pledges of support for any measures the British government may adopt to avert threatened famine in the British occupation zone in Germany were made in a resolution unanimously adopted by the English Church Assembly. The resolution was moved by the Most Rev. Cyril Forster Garbett, Archbishop of York, who warned that "Germany may die on our hands in the next few weeks unless immediate measures are taken." Dr. Garbett urged that the Potsdam agreement be carried out in "spirit and letter" by all the Allies, and that "every step be taken to bring home to the generous, warm-hearted people of the United States their share in any catastrophe which may come."

The assembly also passed a resolution proposed by the Rt. Rev. George K. A. Bell, Bishop of Chichester, calling on the government to do its utmost to see that Germans are enabled "to rebuild their lives on solid foundations without danger to world peace."

Dr. Winnington-Ingram's Will

The will of the late Rt. Rev. and Rt. Hon. Arthur Foley Winnington-Ingram, D.D., Bishop of London, has recently been published. Among his bequests were "my much valued pastoral staff given me by the undergraduates of Oxford University" to the Bishop of London, the Rt. Rev. J. W. C. Wand. His other effects were divided among the Bishops of Leicester, Exeter, Fulham, Stepney, and Southwark, "who were my most excellent suffragans.'

The Poetry of Auden

By Elliott Coleman*

HERE has been so much discussion lately of Mr. W. H. Auden's intellectual progress or, as some would have it, regress, that much of his latest and best poetry has gone unappreciated. With dogmatism and not a little pomp, and certainly with little gratitude for his having given them so much to work on, some of his recent and most vocal critics have treated Mr. Auden's poetry as a kind of I.Q. test which he has passed or failed according to the theological bias of the examiner. Little has been said about the poetry as poetry.

Yet, Mr. Auden's preëminence as a poet has consisted all along in his ability to state, more eloquently than almost anybody else, ideas which have been held widely. It is a mistake to treat him as primarily a theologian, a sociologist, a psychologist, or a philosopher. Mr. Auden is a poet who sees too many sides to a thing to escape occasional confusion; he has changed his mind in the past and may do so in the future. It is quite likely, too, that he composes out of tension the like of which few of his critics can comprehend because they have settled for security.

CLARITY AMID CONFUSION

But there is never any confusion in the poetry itself, even when the poet is recording confusion; and in the latest poetry, because a clarity of expression matches a clarity of aim, we have his greatest achievement. From so versatile and accomplished a writer much was to be expected. Much has been delivered. There is a level, a tone, a technique of thought and accent, a brightness, that is both elemental and as well contrived as an efficient blow-torch. It is admirable, unmistakable, and sustained.

That in general. In particular, as one rereads The Sea And The Mirror and For The Time Being, among many things he may be impressed especially with four: (1) the wit which combines with ineffable cadence to form lines sufficient in themselves to live; (2) longer passages in which meaning ironically supported is so perfectly timed that it becomes almost unbearable; (3) a music in his lyrics that is compassionate because it is resolved out of hardness; and throughout (4) images that do more than dazzle, images that shake us with their precision and their economy.

In The Sea And The Mirror, which the author calls "A Commentary on Shakespeare's The Tempest," the characters of The Tempest appear on the stage after the play is over to speak their apologia, their summing-up, and the whole is bound together by a series

of lyrical refrains. In this summing-up, the problems expressed and implied in the play become, by the demonstration of their relevance, the prime questions of present crisis.

One turns to the preface and finds life a circus where there is

"The wounded cry as the clown Doubles his meaning."

Later Prospero after musing on his own

"When I woke into my life, a sobbing dwarf,"

and remarking in his farewell to Ariel

"The extravagant children who lately swaggered

Out of the sea like gods, have, I think, been soundly hunted

By their own devils into their human selves,"

suddenly is cold sober:

"As if through the ages I had dreamed About some tremendous journey I was

Sketching imaginary landscapes, chasms and cities . .

Jotting down fictional notes . . And now, in my old age, I wake, and this journey really exists,

And I have actually taken it inch by inch.

Alone and on foot, without a cent in my pocket,

Through a universe where time is not foreshortened,

No animals talk and there is neither floating nor flying.

"Can I," he asks,

"Learn to suffer Without saying something ironic or funny On suffering?"

Ferdinand speaks:

"Flesh, fair, unique, and you, warm secret that my kiss Follows into meaning Miranda."

And Gonzalo:

"Evening, grave, immense, and clear, Overlooks our ship whose wake Lingers undistorted on Sea and Silence.

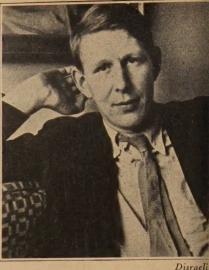
Sebastian remarks:

"In dreams all sins are easy, but by day It is defeat gives proof we are alive.

And Miranda sings:

"So, to remember our changing garden,

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W. H. AUDEN

Are linked as children in a circle dan

My dear one is mine as mirrors a lonely,

And the high green hill sits always the sea.'

Antonio's last lyric follows:

"One link is missing Prospero, My magic is my own; Happy Miranda does not know The figure that Antonio, The Only One, Creation's O Dances for death alone.

And then Caliban in whom, togeth with Antonio, the dilemma most vivic centers speaks almost 30 pages of a sorbing prose, of which one or two par graphs should perhaps be quoted.

"Must we - it seems oddly that must - remind you that our existence de not, like hers, (our native Muse), enj an infinitely indicative mood, an eterna present tense, a limitlessly active voice, i in our shambling, slovenly makeshift wor any two persons, whether domestic fi or neighborly second, require and necessa ily presuppose in both their numbers a in all their cases, the whole inflected gam of an alien third, without a despised dreaded Them to turn the back on, the could be no intimate or affectionate Us turn the eye to; that, chez nous, space never the whole uninhibited circle but ways some segment, its eminent doma upheld by two coordinates.'

One cannot refrain from quoting some length from Alonzo's advice to l

"Dear Son, when the warm multitud

Ascend your throne majestically, But keep in mind the waters where f See sceptres descending with no w To touch them; sit regal and erect, But imagine the sands where a crow Has the status of a broken-down Sofa or mutilated statue:

Remember as bells and cannon boom The cold deep that does not envy y The sunburnt superficial kingdom Where a king is an object.

For The Time Being, sub-titled hristmas Oratorio," and written in parts, Mr. Auden recounts in song, a, and chorus the story of the birth hrist. The idiom is of today, or ps of tomorrow; the theme, again, the eternal conditions of present

The poetry does not offer itself adily to a sampling process as The And The Mirror, because of the and the nature of the action, but again one finds the elements of wit dence, of ironic and consummate g, of hard and compassionate mund of images that lighten swiftly ret are profound.

Narrator speaks:

, on account of the political situation here are quite a number of homes without roofs, and men

ying about in the countryside neither drunk nor asleep,

all sailings have been cancelled until further notice,

its unwise now to say much in letters, and if,

nder the subnormal temperature prevailing,

he two sexes are at present the weak and the strong, hat is not at all unusual for this time

hat is not at all unusual for this time of year."

Chorus begins a chant with

Oh where is that immortal and nameless Centre from which our points of efinition and death are all equi-distant?"

Mary sings:

What dancing joy would whirl
Iy ignorance away
ight blazes out of the stone,
nd the taciturn burst into music,
nd warm wings throb within
The motionless rose."

oh, in his Temptation, cries:

Iy shoes were shined, my pants were cleaned and pressed, nd I was hurrying to meet Iy own true Love: ut a great crowd grew and grew ill I could not push my way through ecause star had fallen down the street; When they saw who I was,

The police tried to do their best." Chorus (off)

oseph, you have heard Vhat Mary says occurred; es, it may be so. s it likely? No."

Semi-Chorus:

oseph, Mary, pray for those
Isled by moonlight and the rose,
or all in our perplexity.
overs that hear a distant bell
hat tolls from somewhere in their
head
cross the valley of their dream—"

Boys' Semi-Chorus

oseph, Mary, pray for us, ndependent embryos who,

Unconscious in another, do Evil as each creature does In every definite decision to improve."

The Third Wise Man tells why he has taken to the road, and then the three join in together.

The Third Wise Man:

"Observing how myopic
Is the Venus of the Soma
The concept ought would make, I
thought,
Our passions philanthropic.
And rectify in the sensual eye
Both lens-flare and lens-coma:

"By arriving at the Greatest Good by introspection
And counting the Greater Number, left no time for affection,
Laughter, kisses, squeezing, smiles:
And I learned why the learned are as despised as they are.
To discover how to be loving now

Is the reason I follow this star.' The Three Wise Men:

"The weather has been awful,
The countryside is dreary,
Marsh, hungle, rock; and echoes mock,
Calling our hope unlawful;
But a silly song can help along
Yours ever and sincerely:
At least we know for certain that we
are three old sinners,
That this journey is much too long,
that we want our dinners,
And miss our wives, our books, our

But have only the vaguest idea why we are what we are. To discover how to be human now

Is the reason we follow this star."

A Fugal-Chorus reminds the audience that

"Great is Caesar: He has conquered Seven Kingdoms,
The Sixth was the Kingdom of Organic Dwarfs:
Last night it was Ouch-Ouch, tonight it is Yum-Yum:
When diseases waylay us, They strike us dead."

A Shepherd says,

"What is real About us all is that each of us is waiting."

And another Shepherd replies,

"That is why we are able to bear Ready-made clothes, second-hand art and opinions And being washed and ordered about."

Some Soldiers strike up a song that begins,

slaughter of the Grandmothers
They found a bachelor's baby suffocating under them:
Somebody called him George and that was the end of it:

"When the Sex War ended with the

They hitched him up to the Army George, you old debutante, How did you get in the Army? On the Flight into Egypt, while Joseph, Mary, and the Child traverse the "old-world" desert where everything goes to pieces, where even the "Vulture is a boon on a dull hot afternoon," and the "Vulture's eye at night forces error to keep right," knowing the cynical Voices of the Desert, whisper their derision:

"All Father's nightingales knew their place,
The gardens were loyal: look at them now.
The roads are so careless, the rivers so rude,
My studs have been stolen; I must speak to the sea.
Come to our well-run desert
Where anguish arrives by cable,

Then it is that Joseph and Mary speak the lines:

With instructions on the label."

And the deadly sins

May be bought in tins

"Safe in Egypt we shall sigh For lost insecurity; Only when her terrors come Does our flesh feel quite at home."

At the end of The Sea And The Mirror, W. H. Auden has Caliban say: "... and it is precisely in its negative image of Judgment that we can positively envisage Mercy; it is just here, among the ruins and the bones, that we may rejoice in the perfected Work which is not ours. Its great coherences stand out through our secular blur in all their overwhelmingly righteous obligation; its voice speaks through our muffling banks of artificial flowers and unflinchingly delivers its authentic molar pardon; its spaces greet us with all their grand old prospect of wonder and width; the working charm is the full bloom of the unbothered state; the sounded note is the restored relation." At the end of "The Christmas Oratorio" the Chorus sings,

"He is the Truth,
Seek Him in the Kingdom of Anxiety;
You will come to a great city that has
expected your
Return for years."

In these statements Auden, the Anglican speaks, and we are presented with the objective and subjective realizations of one aspect of Christian faith for which he has been haled to an ambiguous court. It would be a mistake not to admit that, as always with Mr. Auden, the matter has inspired the manner. But the splendid result, the poetry, remains to be appreciated as poetry. The further question of its validity as a statement of Christian faith is a different thing. The totality of the work is evidence that demands subtler, deeper judgment, and a longer trial. But the very power of this poet compels us toward that deeper judgment, and even if the letter should be shown to be at fault, the spirit would give life.

Why Not a Christian Christmas?

DURING the past few years, some observers have noted a widespread "revival of religion." Others have denied the existence of such a revival or have warned that the apparent increase

of religious interest had shallow roots.

Religious revivals can be of many different kinds, and religion can advance along one line while it is retreating along another. There is, we feel, at least one important field in which a definite advance can be noted, whether or not it is paralleled by advances in other fields. People are taking religion seriously. Those whose habit it is to think, read, and talk about current problems are more inclined to give a hearing to religion than they were ten years ago.

It was not so long ago that those who approached intellectual questions from an avowedly religious point of view felt that they must do so apologetically, defensively. To mention religion in a discussion of politics, economics, art, or science was looked upon as eccentric if not ridiculous. Now, however, the relation between our ideas of God and our ideas of the world is very widely recognized. Religion has become intellectually respectable.

Even in celebrating the great Christian festival of Christmas, the ordinary Christian layman of a few years ago would have felt he was branding himself as peculiar if he gave religious Christmas presents to his fellow-Churchmen. That stigma has, we believe, almost completely vanished. Religious art objects, religious periodicals, and religious books are now recognized to be gifts equally acceptable with secular ones as gifts for the Birthday of Jesus Christ.

Accordingly, in devoting this number of THE LIVING CHURCH to the new books available for Christmas, we feel that its recommendations will be useful to readers in planning the spending of a large

"A LITTLE CHILD": Illustration from one of the new Christmas books for children. [See page 17.]

proportion of their Christmas gift budget. Books for both adults and children are recommended in list which attempt to present the best 1946 religious title Reviews and special articles give extended attention to some of the more recent ones.

Our lists and reviews cover some books which are not specifically religious. These books are never theless chosen because of their intrinsic interest religious people—that is, to people who look upon the world as the object of God's creative, redemptive and sanctifying activity and upon themselves and the children as co-workers with God.

Our book editor in his special article covers variety of books indicated by the title—From Power Politics to Pamphlets. Fr. Vinnedge, who enteresthe ministry after some years' service as a college professor, is now professor of New Testament Nashotah House.

Elliott Coleman, professor of English at John Hopkins, supplies an article on one of the most in portant living Anglican poets—Mr. W. H. Aude

John G. Mills, Jr., compiler of our list of bool recommended for Christmas, was recently an Arm sergeant stationed in Korea. Readers may remember his several news items from the Pacific area pulished in our foreign section some months ago. M Mills is now studying for Holy Orders at Nashotal The books covered in his list are selected from those reviewed in The Living Church during 1946.

Most of the members of the reviewing staff as already well known to our readers. They represed many fields of interest and a variety of vocations, for many of them are laymen (a term which, we under

stand, includes women as well as men).

We are confident that the 125 books mentione or discussed in this issue provide a representative selection of the best 1946 publications in the regious field. For Christmas gifts, older books should not, of course, be forgotten—books of recent years the great religious classics, and above all the Bib and the Prayer Book.

It need hardly be emphasized that Christma which would not exist if it were not for the comin of God to dwell with men, is primarily a time for religious rejoicing. Christmas presents ought to be representative of the feast they celebrate. Christma cards, in particular, should bear witness to the thing of God, rather than to pretty winter scenes and sumptuous meals. We hope that this Christmas Book Number will be useful to the readers of The Livin Church in planning for a truly Christian Christma

Intercommunion With Polish Catholics

CTION taken at the synod of the Polish National Catholic Church, held at Sandusky, Pa., in ber and reported in our news columns [Novemad], completes the ratification of full intercomon between that Church and the Episcopal rch. This should be a matter of gratification to f the members of our Church.

The steps toward intercommunion have been slow, not without misunderstandings. The first step was conference at Bonn, Germany, in July, 1931, at h theologians of the Old Catholic Churches and he Anglican Churches agreed on a threefold statet, recognizing the Catholicity and independence the respective communions and agreeing to full gnition and intercommunion between them. These has were accepted by our General Convention in the first a similar acceptance by the Church of land and ratification by the Old Catholic riches in Europe, under the primacy of the See Utrecht.

Then occurred a curious bit of confusion. For e reason, the 1934 action of the General Conventual was not adequately recorded in the Convention's nal. To clarify the situation, a resolution was oduced into the General Convention of 1940 rations the Bonn Agreement and declaring this Church be in intercommunion with the Old Catholic reches in Europe which recognized the primacy Utrecht. An amendment from the floor caused tion of the words "in Europe" and the resolution passed, thus ratifying our side of the agreement cond time.

The agreement consists of three points:

(1) Each communion recognizes the Catholicity and bendence of the other, and each maintains its own.

(2) Each communion agrees to admit members of the communion to participation in the sacraments.

(3) Intercommunion does not require from either comtion the acceptance of all doctrinal opinion, sacramental tion, or liturgical practice characteristic of the other, but ies that each believes the other to hold all the essentials e Christian faith."

General Convention's 1940 ratification reads:

On these terms the General Convention agrees to the dishment of intercommunion between the Protestant copal Church and the Old Catholic Churches which are summunion with the See of Utrecht."

The Polish National Catholic Church is the only Catholic body in the United States that is in munion with the See of Utrecht,* and so recog-

The Polish National Catholic Church has its headquarters and principal ership in the United States, where the 1943 figures compiled by the al Council of Churches credit it with a membership of 63,366. There missionary bishopric and a growing following in Poland itself, where tivities have been greatly expanded since the war.

nized by our Church as a member of the family of Churches with which we are in communion. By its recent action, that Church has now ratified the Bonn Agreement and entered into full intercommunion with the Episcopal Church and the entire Anglican Communion.

As a matter of fact, our relations with the Polish Church have been close for many years. One of their bishops is a graduate of one of our seminaries, and one of our priests has served as a member of the staff of their Chicago cathedral. Their bishops were given a place of honor at the opening service of General Convention, and our bishops have been similarly honored in their synods.

This step, initiated by the Lambeth Conference, is now brought to a particularly happy fruition. The United States is the only place in which, on a wide scale, Anglican and Old Catholic Churches exist in the same communities. Thus there is a possibility of very close friendship, bridging racial and national divisions within the fellowship of the Church, and marking a step toward true Catholicity and Christian unity. The development of that fellowship and intercommunion is now going forward locally in places where the two communions exist side by side [see p. 5].

To perfect the brotherly agreement now happily achieved, we feel that it would be appropriate to appoint a joint committee of theologians of the two Churches. We have much to learn from each other and share with each other. There may be some matters which still need to be cleared up in the theological and canonical fields — an example being our canons relating to the exercise of the ministry by one priest in another priest's cure. There are certainly many ways in which the two Churches can contribute to each other's life which ought to come under the purview of such a committee. We hope, accordingly, that our Presiding Bishop and Prime Bishop Hodur will shortly initiate action to bring it into being.

DIAGNOSTIC

I KNOW the mortal ill, grave malady with which mankind is stricken, because within myself I find its certain signs (glimpsed fleeting, unaware): the obdurate, the heedless heart that will not care enough (but fitfully, in part); the tired, divided mind; the warring will.

MARGARET STOCKWELL TALBERT.

From Power Politics to Pamphlets

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THE power politics to which reference is made in the above title may be represented in an interesting book, Dinner at the White House, by one of the most articulate of living Americans. In it one finds examples of Louis Adamic's excellent reporting and

profound reflection.

Taking for his point of departure a dinner at which he and Mrs. Adamic (as well as Winston Churchill) were the guests of the Roosevelts, early in 1942, the author sets the scene of a great contest between two opposing political philosophies. He certainly would not agree with the cynical comment of a Kansas City Star editorial writer, who tossed off the dictum that Roosevelt and Churchill got along so well because they were both essentially "brilliant patricians." It was the merest accident, in that cynic's view, that one happened to work the liberal side of the state of the work the liberal side of the street while the other worked the conservative.

Two Great Protagonists

According to Mr. Adamic the men were poles apart in their thinking. Churchill was the protagonist of oldline imperialism, with its ruthlessness, its cruelty, its alleged realism, its sense of class and racial superiority, its "sure and safe" and backward look. Roosevelt was the protagonist of liberation, with its dangerous give-and-take, its urge toward justice, its enlightened and practical idealism, its sense of human solidarity, its ever forward daring and risky look While the two men were capable of much personal friendship and affection. they were probably suspicious of each other, and each was trying to outmaneuver the other and direct the other's resources to his own purpose. Each man was deadly sincere in his conviction that his way was best for the world.

One is led to believe that, in Mr. Adamic's view, Churchill was at last the more successful of the two. This was due not to any weakening of Roosevelt's character or purpose. It came from his declining physical vigor, the sniping from Tory elements in his own country, the dead weight of the professionals in the State Department. As he felt time and strength running out, he put "all his eggs in the United Nations basket" (even as Wilson had staked everything on the League), and then death struck him on the eve of its organization.

Part of Dinner at the White House is sad reading for liberals and for all who look forward to a better day for the sons of men; one almost sees the blueprint of reaction to come. But it should not be discouraging reading; it should stimulate those who believe in the mounting greatness of thought and of hope to be ready to work once more for the things that we missed.

ROOSEVELT SPEAKS

Many books about our late President are appearing. Mr. Zevin's selection of his addresses will be a welcome addition to their number. Roosevelt's capacity for clear and eloquent presentation of a subject is well known to all the world. It remains, therefore, only to say a word about the selection. Here are gathered 62 addresses, from his dramatic and thrilling acceptance speech in 1932 to

> BOOKS DISCUSSED IN THIS REVIEW ARTICLE

Dinner at the White House. By Louis Adamic. New York: Harpers, 1946. Pp. 276. \$2.50.

Nothing to Fear: The Selected Addresses (1932-1945) of Franklin Delano Roosevelt. Edited by B. D. Zevin. Boston: Houghton Mifflin, 1946. Pp. 470 (with in-

The New Testament. Translated by Ronald Knox. New York: Sheed and Ward, 1946. Pp. 502.

The Epistles and Gospels for Sundays and Holydays: Translation and Commentary. By Ronald Knox. New York: Sheed & Ward, 1946. Pp. 374. \$2.50.

The Resurrection of Christ. By A. Michael Ramsey. Philadelphia: Westminster Press, 1946. Pp. 124. \$1.

The Great Religions of the Modern World. Edited by Edward J. Jurji. Princeton: University Press, 1946. Pp. 387 (with

index). \$3.75.

The Herdsman. By Dorothy Clarke Wilson. Philadelphia: Westminster Press, 1946. Pp. 373. \$3.

What Does the Episcopal Church Stand For? By W. Nor-man Pittenger. New York: Morehouse-Gorham, 1946. Pp. 24. 15c.

Who Wrote the New Prayers in the Prayer Book? By James Arthur Muller. Philadelphia: Church Historical Society, 1946. Pp. 49. 50c.

the Jefferson Day dinner speech in 194 read the day after his death.

Doubtless every reader of the volum will find one or more of his favorit omitted, but on the whole it is an a mirable selection. The title Nothing Fear is well chosen. It is, of course, t famous phrase from his First Inaugura but its spirit breathes throughout t volume. Here are the resounding cou age with which he faced problems, ti ringing challenge which Mr. Rooseve hurled against corruption and evil as injustice and privileged selfishness, ar the brave and unprecedented action which he never hesitated to use for t wellbeing of his fellowmen. If at tim we become disheartened as we see ho far short of his bold and enlightene vision we, as a people, have come, let ponder again his dying request in the last line he ever wrote: "I ask you keep up your faith."

NEW EDITION OF KNOX'S NEW TESTAMENT

It is a far cry from power politics the text of the New Testament. Ar yet it is from the inspiration of the Ne Testament, and from the long Hebre tradition that preceded it, that most of the struggles for the betterment of hi man relations have taken their rise. Fe this and other reasons the publication a new edition of this basic Christian tex book is always an event of social an

literary importance.

Nothing need be said about the re markably clear and lucid translatic which we owe to the labor of Msg Knox. It has already made its place the world of literature, of biblical stud and of religious devotion. But we musalute Sheed & Ward for giving us th singularly beautiful edition of his ve sion. It has the well known advantage of modern pagination and typograph which we have come to associate wit the Knox translation; but here also a beautiful book, qua book. There as interesting woodcuts at the head of eac chapter. There are 30 full-page cold reproductions of great paintings to illutrate the text, representing many school of art from the 14th century forward All in all, it is a volume not only t use but to possess with pleased satisfac tion.

A KNOX COMMENTARY

It is not only because of his transla tions that one is grateful that Msgr Knox has been able to devote most of his time in recent years to scriptura des. One has reason to be thankful such a work as his commentary on epistles and gospels of the Church. The translation used in the text Isgr. Knox's own valuable one. To commentary he has brought his rich incisive scholarship and his rare gift interpretation. As a result we have re us in this book an excellent preation of the background, the litercontext, and the textual factors red to all the selections from gospels epistles used in the Roman liturgical

Essay in Biblical Theology"

anon Ramsey has put all theologians New Testament students in his by his most recent book, The Resurion of Christ, which he properly s "an essay in Biblical theology. interesting to note how prevailingly logical thinking is going back (or might better say, forward) to the e. Both within and without the am of Catholic tradition there has a growing conviction that Christian logy had become enmeshed within confines of a particular philosophy, ther Platonic, Aristotelian, Augustn, Thomist, or whatever. Men Hoskyns, Taylor, and Rawlinson long Anglicans), like Barth and Nier (among Protestants), and like ox (among Romans) have shown us we need to know more about the le and the long tradition of Israel if are really to implement a genuinely istian theology.

This is precisely what Canon Ramsey done in the case of one great therical postulate: the Resurrection. His k is stimulating and refreshing. One ald not spoil its savor by telling much ut it. Suffice it to point out a few

lights:

Iis careful and reasoned presentation the historical factors involved is inectually sound and spiritually satisg, as well as completely orthodox. chapter entitled "According to the ptures" is the best commentary this ewer has seen on I Corinthians 3,-4 and on an important clause in Nicene Creed. His careful articulabetween the particular Resurrecstory and the theological themes in of the Gospels is wise and peneing. His sharp distinction between t Christians (and Jews) mean by urrection-life and what the Greek osophers meant by personal immory is trenchant and pointed. He lets know that in the theology of the le there is no place for the artificial otomy between soul and body which led to add vagaries on the part of istians who would base their thinkon any Greek-derived philosophical epts.

le correctly points out that the stern" Church has been more success-

ful in avoiding "crudities" in its thinking about the resurrection of the body than has the "Western" Church.

His concluding paragraphs are a veritable peroration inspiring one better to understand the theology of the Bible, which is the Gospel of our Lord.

RELIGIONS OF THE WORLD

Dr. Edward J. Jurji, of the Princeton Theological Seminary, has edited a book of great importance, The Great Religions of the Modern World. Dr. Jurji is himself the author of the section on Islam. Eight other eminent scholars have contributed the sections on Confucianism, Taoism, Hinduism, Buddhism, Shintoism, Judaism, Eastern Orthodoxy, Roman Catholicism, and Protestantism. This reviewer is certainly not competent to appraise every section. I would, however, pay high tribute to the section on Islam.

Every author in this symposium has, to be sure, made an honest and generally successful effort to treat his subject with objective scholarship and sympathetic understanding. It does seem that Dr. A. K. Reischauer has given greater emphasis to Mahayana than to Hinayana Buddhism. I think that Dr. J. L. Hromadka overplays the Slavic element in Eastern Orthodoxy, to the possible neglect of the Hellenic, in his section on Eastern Orthodoxy. And I am revolted at Dr. John A. Mackay's inclusion of Anglicanism in his sub-section on Classical Protestantism and his assertion that the XXXIX Articles and other elements in its essential doctrine are Calvinistic. Nevertheless I think this is a valuable and worthy book. It is not just for the specialist. Anyone with a lively interest in religion or history or world affairs would derive much from it. Certainly its contents should be known to clergy and theological students.

NOVEL OF PROPHECY

I feel like going out on a reviewing limb and declaring that The Herdsman is a great book. Admittedly the market has become almost glutted of late with novels dealing with Biblical characters. There is, for example, David the King, a best seller. There is King Jesus, which will also run into considerable sale, no doubt. But in The Herdsman the author has produced a piece of serious literature, and, unlike some other recent "biblical fiction," it does not rely on either pornography or blasphemy to tittilate the sensibilities or boost the sales.

This is not to say that the author has merely filled in the bare outlines of a biblical character and whipped them up into a fair degree of reader appeal. On the contrary, Dorothy Clarke Wilson has brought to her work a rich imagination, a great understanding of people and motives, and a vast amount of the painstaking research necessary to give

substance and color and flesh to an historical novel.

The place and time chosen for her latest work are the kingdom of Israel and the reign of Jeroboam II. The "herdsman" who is the principal character is, of course, Amos, whom we now know as the prophet who pioneered in the quest for Yahweh's righteousness in human relations. It has become quite the fashion to say that certain of the Hebrew prophets (notably Amos, Hosea, and Isaiah I) had a message that is germane to our contemporary scene. Mrs. Wilson's book will go further toward demonstrating that truth (and interpreting their message) than any number of learned treatises on comparative social conditions.

Here, in Palestine of the eighth century B.C., were all the basic social evils that we may see in this 20th century: the worship of wealth, the tricks of profiteering (in war and peace), the wastes of imperialism, the opiate of trumped up patriotism, the compromises and the intolerance of clericalism, the poverty and depression of the people (even in the midst of "national prosperity"), the enslavement to want and to fear, the schisms of class, the blindness of privilege. All this we see in the temples and palaces and markets and alleys and hovels of Bethel and of Samaria, and in the tents of Tekoa. When Amos lived, it was fashionable to think that "the day of Yahweh" was just around the corner, because the rich were getting ever richer and more powerful. The people had almost swallowed that fascistcapitalist party line, when Amos came and confronted them with reality.

As the author presents Amos, he was a man born to poverty, who sank to slavery, was later raised to the threshold of great wealth and position, but renounced privilege to proclaim the way and the mind of Yahweh as he understood them. The steady growth in the character and vision of Amos, the way in which the elements of his environment impinged upon his convictions, the details of daily life, the skilful drawing of other characters (Hosea, Mara, Elkanah, Jahaz, and others), the evident familiarity with contemporary customs and with the Old Testament—all combine to make this a great book and the reading of it a memorable experience.

AND SO TO PAMPHLETS

Perhaps one ought to call the booklet on the Episcopal Church a tract rather than a pamphlet. Written by Dr. Pittenger, of the General Theological Seminary faculty, it is a clear and straightforward statement of the doctrine, discipline, worship, claims, and rationale of the Church, designed for those who might visit its services or inquire into its credentials. Naturally it is far from complete—it is not meant to be so; but it is the best short summary, for the purpose intended, that we have so far seen. It is quite disarming to objectors of almost any school of thought. Dr. Pittenger has successfully shown that the Church is in the stream of Catholic tradition (in the best sense of that term), and is also alert to the discovery of new truth through honest investigation, good scholarship, and scientific inquiry. Copies of this tract should be

available in every parish church and in every pastor's study.

The other "pamphlet" is a rather more pretentious piece of scholarship. It is a posthumously published study by Dr. James Arthur Muller, late professor of Church history in the Episcopal Theological School, Cambridge. This brochure, which was brought to completion during the closing weeks of his life, is an investigation of the authorship of

the new prayers that appeared in the 1928 Prayer Book. Anyone who has general interest in liturgical study, at all those who have come to know at love these enrichments of the Pray Book, may read this work with provand enjoyment. It is a valuable contabution to Prayer Book literature. The Foreword, an appreciation of Dr. Muler's life and work, is by his colleague Dr. Massey H. Shepherd, Jr.

= EVERYDAY RELIGION =

Facts Every Layman Should Know

VII. About a Rule of Life By the Rev. John Heuss, Jr.

DO YOU have a "Rule of Life"? If not, do you think that it is a special observance followed by people who insist on being "more religious than necessary."?

Let us be clear as to what the mind of the Episcopal Church is on this matter. The mind of the Church is determined by Holy Scripture, by the teaching and example of our Lord Jesus Christ, by the common practice and official teaching of the historic Church, and by teachings in the Prayer Book. By every one of these authorities it is plain that a Churchman is expected to keep some very strict rules of life.

The Old Testament literally laid down the law. It taught that the Sabbath was to be kept holy, that God was to be worshipped, that tithes were to be paid, and that the moral code was to be strictly honored.

OUR LORD'S EXAMPLE

There can be no question what Jesus taught. He could not conceive of calling a man religious who did not worship God regularly in a church, who did not pray, who did not give alms, or who did not discipline himself to be righteous. Many modern Episcopalians would astonish Him no end.

In the long history of the Church a non-churchgoing Christian was considered an apostate. If the other rules which governed character were not observed, discipline was quickly applied. The Prayer Book teaching is crystal clear. The Office of Instruction states it: "My bounden duty is to follow Christ, to worship God every Sunday in His Church, and to work and pray and give for the spread of His Kingdom." This is the

mind of the Church and Churchmen

ought to know it. The Episcopal Church expects all of its people to do these things. It has never expected 50% or more of its communicants to be absent from worship on Sunday. It never had any idea that its people would fail by thousands to strive to be saints. It never contemplated that there could be Episcopalians who did not pray. And it would never have believed that a time would come when the Church would be kept alive by the working and giving of a third or less of its members. Between the mind of the Church and the practice of a multitude of Churchmen today a great gulf is fixed. The way to bridge that gulf is to adopt a rule of life and keep it. That gulf is the reason why some parishes are dead. It is the reason why countless others are struggling to keep alive. It is the reason why some clergy look so beaten. It is the reason why the missionary program of the National Council is hamstrung. It is the reason why the Reconstruction and Advance Fund failed its goal. It is the cause of most of our frustration as a Church. That gulf can only be bridged when we all begin to follow the Church's "Rule of Life."

What shall the rule contain? A good rule can be built from that statement in the Prayer Book.

1. To follow Christ: that means to try to follow His teaching and example. To do that it is necessary to know Holy Scripture. Every communicant should be reading his Bible regularly. How he reads it or when is up to him, but read it daily he should. The best way is to follow the lectionary in the Prayer Book. As one becomes acquainted with God and Christ by reading the Bible, how to

follow Him will become apparent.

2. To worship God every Sunday in His Church: this means exactly what it says. Note that it says "every Sunday"-not every other Sunday, nor every fourth Sunday, nor Christmas or Easter, nor when you feel like it, but every Sunday. Rain or shine, snow or sleet, on vacation or at home, away on business or any other place, go every Sunday unless you are sick. If you are sick or there is no church available, read the Holy Communion service or Morning Prayer in your Prayer Book. This is one of the three ways to keep the Sabbath holy. The other two are to abstain from unnecessary work and to get a real change on Sunday.

3. Work: there is a job somewhere in the parish or diocese for you. Offer yourself for service. Your rector will welcome you with joy, if you are sincere and willing to be assigned to those tasks for which he judges you

best fitted.

4. Pray: say your prayers daily. The time of day chosen is not important. Find out from your priest how to pray. Say grace at meals. Try family prayers. Pray when you start your office work. Use your Prayer Book.

5. Give: sign a pledge for the support of your parish, diocese, and missions. Make it large enough to be a sacrifice. Avoid the sense of "tipping" God. Tithe (give 10%) if you really want to have some fun. The happiest givers are the tithers. Give proportionately to your income, not casually

on your impulse.

This is an easy yoke, is it not? Of course it is! But if every Episcopalian kept this simple rule of life the Church would stop looking and acting like a panic-stricken army in retreat and begin to be a disciplined, victorious army on the march. And you will stop being a paganized, self-satisfied, painfully respectable member of the Episcopal Church dangerously close to apostasy and begin to be a penitent, developing soul on the long uphill road to sainthood.

BOOKS

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A Christmas List

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MOSTLY ABOUT THE BIBLE

he Idea of Christ in the Gospels. By ge Santayana. New York: Scrib-\$2.75. A collection of beautifully ten essays showing the profound ht of Santayana into an idea which resents a mystery, the mystery of in man." Recommended for clergy lewed in full in THE LIVING PRCH, May 19th].

an and Society in the New Testa-By Ernest F. Scott.* This skilful is a corrective both to those who ld regard the New Testament as a print of social action and to those consider it a one-way ticket to heav-

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he Resurrection of Christ. By A. hael Ramsey.* The best recent prestion of the Resurrection problem, historically and theologically.

ight From the Ancient Past. By Jack gan. Princeton University Press, \$5. noroughly readable presentation of mportant archeological data touchipon the Hebrew-Christian religious tion [March 24th].†

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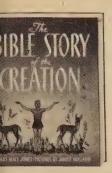
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ITHIN the compass of this single volume one will find a terse but moving exposition of the orthodox conception of the Church viewed as the socially extended Body of our Lord. Yet, merely to say that this statement is orthodox hardly does justice to the uniqueness of the theological contribution which Fr. Smyth has made. Unlike most recent dogmatic writings, this work evinces a keen and fundamental awareness of the necessity of distinguishing between the Church's doctrines as such and the particular historical contexts in which they were founded-contexts which are no longer part of the objective world, contexts which are unsuitable as bases for a developing and functional Catholicism. Even more evident is the astute realization that a theology incapable of application to the contemporary world scene is a theology unworthy of the name. Rather than be content with some sugar castle architectonic of pious grandeur, the author of Discerning the Lord's Body has stood up fearlessly to the problem of showing the real demands of a Catholic theology in the present fallen and disordered world. So thoroughly has this task been accomplished that the book will hear its greatest opposition from those who find in it, perhaps for the first time, the bare meaning of "bearing the Cross" in a 20th century cultural crisis. By the same token, those who accept its demands will be the few who intend no less than that the practice of Incarnational Christianity shall be their life's whole business.

For the purposes of review, the consistent and closely knit reasoning of this analysis might be divided arbitrarily into three aspects: general theological principles, specific liturgical teaching, and the relation of Catholic theory to its corresponding practice. Each aspect has its origin in the common premise of the entire argument, namely, that the Church is an organism acting in the world to achieve the consummation of the process of redemption. The working of this process is designated, by Fr Smyth, as metacosmesis, "... a kind of trans-ordering, a conveyance of structural order from the level of contingency in time and space to the level of an absolute and external order; and then back again to that contingent level where is originated and to which it returns for further creative, ordering, growth."

THEOLOGICAL PRINCIPLES

Of first importance then is a consider ation of the general theological statement of metacosmic action and the problems which thwart its realization. The initia block in the way of man's movement toward a redeemed society is the structural disarray of the world's elements For example, it is impossible for man to reach back into the events of past time and correct the disorder which is enshrined in them. Nor does God, who created man a free agent, dictatorily wrest that freedom from him by immediate intervention. Thus, if order is to be achieved in the natural world, it mus be by some free agent native to the world, who, however, is capable of pass ing beyond its limitations. Such an agen is found only in the incarnate Son o God. Our Lord being truly man realized perfection in His human nature because He was very God. Furthermore, all per fection on the natural level is a contin gent perfection. It deals with structura order, but not with content. And since man's complete redemption requires per fection of content as well as form, it source must also converge with a super natural level. Here again, the answer i found in the person of our Lord who is His individuated human nature had im mediate access to such a level in Hi divine nature. Hence, absolute perfec tion was possible by the immediate con veyance of the spatio-temporal element of His human nature to the time-trans



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ing supernatural level of His divine re. In turn, these elements moved into His continuing humanity as y perfected contents of that human-It is this "in and out" movementthe contingent to the absolute and again to the contingent-which titutes the basic nature of metacosprocess. And the same process at in our Lord, through the imately conjoined human and divine res, was made mediately accessible, the Ascension, to His socially exed Body, the Church. By means of acrificial work of the Cross, the one ble nexus between man and God, een the contingent and the absolute, een the material and the spiritual, once and for all secured for the

rch. letacosmesis brings to light several rtant and necessary truths! For one t will now be evident that all mptive activity must start on the rial level. Catholicism is not a brand therworldly "spiritual" religion in sense in which idealism has pernicimisinterpreted it, nor a salvaging ndividual souls from their environt. Again and again, the author exs the inadequacies and dangers of conceptions of Catholicism. "Toit is one of the major tasks of a vital olicism to recall nominal Catholics exclusive preoccupation with sin as rely individual matter, as a disorder dividual life only, without reference e corporate Offertory of Our Lord's norial. If the Church continues to omplacently concerned with individsin and individual 'salvation' apart corporate redeeming growth, she before long prepare a terrible punent for herself at the hands of a emptuous world." To make certain an appreciation of the difference between nominal Catholicism and true Incarnational Catholicism the exposition contains an incisive study of existing views of the material world, of conceptions of sins and contingencies, of the thoroughgoing sacramentalism of Catholic doctrine. In all this, one factor remains paramount: the insistence that the Faith shall hold firm to its incontrovertible incarnational

Beyond the general theological treatment of metacosmesis, one finds in this text valuable specific liturgical teaching. While our Lord, at the Ascension, departed bodily from the midst of His followers, He had instituted in His Memorial the sole means of the Church's further redeeming work. Thus, the Liturgy of the Memorial of Our Lord's Body and Blood is the central and crowning act of Catholic living. Apart from it, metacosmic process is lost, redemption is impossible. Following the theoretical scheme of metacosmic process, the Mass is examined in each of its three component parts: the Offertory, which under the forms of bread and wine sums up the structurally ordered gifts of the Divine Community; the Consecration, within which these newly offered contents are transordered to the level of absolute perfection; the Holy Communion, the means by which the now perfected gifts are returned in the substances of our Lord's Body and Blood.

THEORY AND PRACTICE

In one instance Fr. Smyth divorces the theory of the Church from its practice. He examines the activity of the Church both as it is and as it should be. Considering the former, one finds an almost hopeless forsaking of the very principles on which Catholicism is built. Having absorbed much of the corruption in the secular order, the Church more than not has taken a stand on world issues which literally denies her supposed redeeming work. "Hence this kind of 'church' is usually concerned with the social status quo and even with out-andout reaction, because her wealth and privileges are rooted in the disorders of an unredeemed world. It too often follows that the official church tries to defend the evil structure of her secular environment. This is a result of the church's perversion of Christianity which argues that nothing can be done about this world in any case. The main duty of the church is then to conserve her wealth, her power, and her size, the better to get more souls out of the world into 'heaven'. . . . By means of this perversion the official church often finds it quite possible to serve both God and mammon at once."

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and must come to agreement concerning the proper program of the Church in the present environment. The doctrine of the Incarnation, for example, demands a truly democratic society. To work to-ward the establishment of such a society is a fundamental obligation of all who claim allegiance to our Lord. At this point in history the Church, on her own grounds, is unable to effect the necessary means of securing the objective reality of a redeemed social order. She must work, then, with such organized programs, which, even though outside of the Incarnational Body, are moving toward truly Christian ends. The religion of the Incarnation requires that the Church espouse liberal and radical movements which are able to assist in the redemption of the world-movements which have inherently within them such characteristics as are fit for eventual absorption into the Incarnational Body. Until such a time of absorption, members of the Church have two fundamental tasks: the work of St. John Baptistsowing the seeds of understanding and action; the work of the Incarnation proper, which at this time can be achieved only in small groups or "cells" bearing prophetic witness to that sacramental society one day to be consummated as the Kingdom of God in all its

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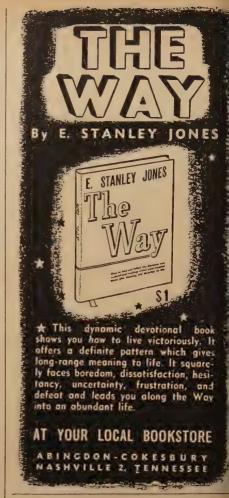
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LOWELLS AND THEIR SEVEN FORLDS. By Ferris Greenslet. Bosne: Houghton Mifflin, 1946. Pp. 2. \$4.

Ar. Greenslet has produced a dozen more fascinating biographies of the cells, often inspiring and sometimes proceeds yields are the time when old ival settled in Newbury in 1639 to be taxation to the time when Miss a sailed back to Europe with her ce-Arrow, two liveried chauffers, a companion on board. When one has the saga it is as if one had been me a huge snowball, piling layer a layer and having a lot of fun doing hough the time has come to turn and go about one's own business, ing the snowball to melt.

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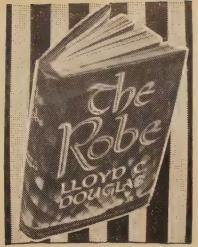
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Religiously, the family history explains why New England became Unitarian. Even before old Percival's death the Arian and Socinian controversies raged noisily. By the 18th century the family's first Harvard graduate, the Rev. John, bravely acknowledged his inability to understand the doctrine of the Trinity and turned Unitarian. Most Lowells followed him like sheep, but some found their way into orthodoxy, including Amy, who, Mr. Greenslet writes, "boomed" the responses in the Brookline

The social service work among the employees of the Lowell factories is only touched upon, but one is refreshed in that early paternalistic attempt to make an American mill town a decent place. But this was not hard to do when the girls were drawn from staid New England farms. Later the picture changed. As sordid scenes of crowded settlements closed in on them, the essential weakness of the rich and highly cultured caught up with this home-loving, cousinmarrying, tobacco-wreathed family. It is the weakness that forgets that reason was bestowed by the Creator on man and not exclusively on certain groups who first find the material things of life; it is the weakness that distrusts the common people. Mr. Greenslet in his remarkable piece of objective writing hints of this, for he need not have republished Amy's statement that American life was vulgar in essence, or Percival's banali-

rence's distressing final connection with the Sacco-Vanzetti case. In any even the world of the future will doubtle need more Abraham Lincolns rathe than more Lowells.

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Introduction to New Testament

THE NEW TESTAMENT: ITS MAKING AND MEANING. By Albert E. Bar nett. Nashville and New York Abing don-Cokesbury Press, 1946

One of a surprising number of recen introductions to the New Testament Professor Barnett's book, as might be ex pected from his Paul Becomes a Literar Influence (1941); is marked by tw characteristics. First, he gives carefu attention to all possible evidence of liter ary indebtedness on the part of one Nev Testament writer to another. Second, h makes central the thesis which his teach er, Professor Goodspeed, proposed in The Meaning of Ephesians (1933), an developed further in his own Introduc tion (1937). Briefly this thesis is that th publication of St. Luke-Acts led to th collection of St. Paul's letters and to th composition of Ephesians as a preface t that collection, which in turn influence almost every succeeding New Testamen writer. One does not mean to suggest however, that Barnett's introduction merely a pale reflection of that of h older colleague. On the contrary, it is a able, full-bodied work, attempting t answer questions regarding authorship first readers, date, place of composition occasion and purpose, as well as to sum marize the message of each book. For

COMING EVENTS

December

Consecration of the Rev. G. H. Quarterman as Bishop of North Texas, Amarillo, Texas; Special convention of Colorado. Federal Council of Churches, Seattle, Wash. 4-6.

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9. of a bishop, Seattle.

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purpose the author provides his er with the relevant internal and exal evidence from which other minds draw different conclusions. This is to the good, for naturally there are ts on which wide agreement will cely be forthcoming. For example, nett's arguments for the amazing there of books he believes can be assed to Ephesus must be taken cum to salis. Nevertheless, the book should be very useful to the serious student the New Testament.

OSCAR J. F. SEITZ.

Revelation Over Reason

runner. Translated by Olive Wyon. hiladelphia: Westminster Press, 946. Pp. 430. \$4.50.

n this book one of the most compeliving theologians addresses himto the central concern of faith: the wledge of God. He is convinced that various Christian theologies from beginning until now have erred in ordinating revelation to reason in refforts to rationalize the essentially tional (N.B., not sub-rational) exence of saving gnosis. Scholasticism Modernism alike come under this ctment.

runner's thesis is that reason must subordinated to revelation in Christhought, else Christian thought es to remain such. God reveals Himto us in His activity, and the funcof reason is to interpret the content evelation rather than to discover it. do not find God by searching for 1: we find Him by letting ourselves ound of Him through Jesus Christ. he God of the philosophers—the olute, the Unconditioned, etc. t not be confounded with the God of Christian faith. Brunner is by no ns the first, of course, to voice this ning; but it would be hard to find where a clearer and more cogent ement of why and how the thinking istian is to keep this distinction ght in his mind.

Tuch of the value of this book lies the restatement of basic Christian epts, or the redefinition of basic is, which are almost universally misand misunderstood. For examples: Word of God," so often identified the Bible rather than with Christ Logos; and "faith," so often identiwith the acceptance of correct doctorather than with encounter with in Christ.

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Commentary on Job

THE BOOK OF JOB. By Edward D. Kissane. New York: Sheed and Ward, 1946. Pp. 298. \$4.

There is a general notion that Roman Catholic biblical scholars are afraid to employ critical methods lest they fall afoul of the censor librorum. To people who hold this view Dr. Kissane's book will come as an enlightening surprise, for it is a thoroughly critical work, and in it there is no darkness of literalism, obscurantism, or "fundamentalism" at all.

One thing which any good commentary on Job must do for the thoughtful student is to outline the great arguments in the dialogue and clearly mark out their course. This calls for a logical summary of each argument in its turn. This reviewer would say that the strongest point of Kissane's commentary lies in his clear and full synopses of the arguments.

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It is gratifying to note that Dr. Kissane does not regard Job as an attempt at a "solution" of the problem of the suffering of the just. Too many people do.

There are of course some things in the book which will be of interest to advanced students only, but these are confined to the sections where the purely technical problems are dealt with. This commentary can be commended unreservedly to any serious reader of Job who desires the guidance of a sound commentator.

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Philosophy, Theology, Medicine

ALBERT SCHWEITZER: CHRISTIAN RE-VOLUTIONARY. By George Seaver. New York: Harper & Brothers, 1944. Pp. 130. \$2.

This little book is an analysis of the philosophical writings of one of the great thinkers of our age. George Seaver has very artfully recognized the foursquare career of Albert Schweitzer, but he has not written about the well-known accomplishments of the great missionary.

The philosophy of Schweitzer regarding modern civilization, and, more especially, the ethical problem, together with his religious thought, are approached through quotations from his writings and are then compared with the great philosophers of all ages. In many instance Seaver then explains more fully ar evaluates the positions Schweitzer hel

For any student of theology this is thought-provoking book, whether he ca agree with Schweitzer or not. To thowho have known his name only as one the most heroic missionaries of all time Seaver's work opens up new horizons the great mind which was willing to en gage in a "critical enquiry into the original ins of Christianity which undermine the very foundations upon which th whole edifice of the Christian dogma ha apparently rested for centuries, by whose whole life bears witness to under able Christian discipleship" (p. 1). W. E. Post.

Liberalism at Bay

CONVERSATIONS WITH AN UNREPENT ANT LIBERAL. By Julius Seelye Bixle New Haven: Yale University Pres 1946. Pp. vi, 113. \$2.

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ist who uses his much-vaunted denent as an excuse for failure to act.' n a paroxysm of agony greater than ther age has known, our generation out for help from on high. In anwhat does the liberal do but counto contemplate its own ideas of ness and beauty."

F. H. O. BOWMAN.

In Brief

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Webster Loring Clark, Priest

The Rev. Webster Loring Clark, a retired priest of the Diocese of Sacramento, died September 8th at his home in Benicia, Calif. He was 81 years of

Mr. Clark was born in Dorchester, Mass., the son of William Loring Clark and Ann (Tilden). He was educated at St. Augustine's College in Benicia. After studying privately with Bishop Wingfield of Sacramento, the Bishop ordained him to the diaconate in 1890 and to the priesthood in 1892. Mr. Clark served as a missionary priest in the Diocese of Sacramento.

Funeral services were held in St. Paul's Church, Benicia, on September 11th by the Rev. David Graham, rector. Inurnment was at the Abbey of the Chimes.

Mr. Clark is survived by his wife, the former Frances Thompson.

William Gregg Gehri, Priest

The Rev. William Gregg Gehri, 51, rector of Grace-St. Luke's Church, Memphis, Tenn., died November 8th after an illness of several weeks. The

funeral was held in Grace-St. Luke's Church November 10th. Bishop Maxon of Tennessee officiated. He was assisted by the Rev. Dr. Charles S. Hale, associate rector of the parish, and the Rev. Malcolm MacMillan. Interment was at Shepherdstown, W. Va.

A native of Sandusky, Ohio, Mr. Gehri was graduated from high school in Columbus and Kenyon College. He received his theological degree at Virginia Theological Seminary. Ordained deacon in 1924 and priest in 1925 by Bishop Gravatt of West Virginia, he was rector of St. Matthew's, Charleston, and Trinity, Morgantown, W. Va., before he accepted the rectorship of Grace Church, Memphis. When Grace and St. Luke's parishes were consolidated in 1941 he became rector of the united congregation.

Mr. Gehri was chairman of the diocesan department of Christian social service and took a great interest in the general field of social relations. He had served as president of the Church Mission of Help, was a board member and case committee member for the Family Welfare Agency, a member of the Memphis Interracial Committee, and

past president of the Association Church and Professional Social Works and of the Memphis Council of Church es. He wrote numerous articles on ligion and mental health for soc welfare journals.

William F. Murrah, president of the Council of Social Agencies, said of M. Gehri, who was chairman of the council's committee on the study of alcoholism, "We have lost a broad-vision leader and sincere friend. An untire worker in the field of community we fare, Mr. Gehri made an active contuition to the physical and spiritual lift of countless Memphians who may never have had the advantage of knowing his personally."

Mr. Gehri is survived by his widow Mrs. Yolande Malone Gehri, tw daughters, his mother, Mrs. Carolin Gehri of Sandusky, and three sisters.

Richard Palmer Pressey, Priest

The Rev. Richard Palmer Pressey, 4 rector of Trinity Church, Cliffside Par N. J., died at St. Luke's Hospital, Ne York City, November 5th.

Fr. Pressey was born in Marion, Inc the son of the Rev. Ernest A. Press

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. M. Claire (Palmer). He was ed in the public schools in Port-Maine, Trinity College, and the al Theological Seminary. He was ed to the diaconate and the priestin 1924 by Bishop Brewster of e. From 1924 to 1926 he was at St. Paul's Church, Flatbush, lyn, and had been rector of y Church since 1926.

neral services were held in Trinity h on November 8th by Bishop burn of Newark. Fr. Joseph, was the celebrant at the Requiem. nent was in the family plot in reen Cemetery, Portland, Maine.

Carleton Monroe Winslow

. Carleton Monroe Winslow, a nent architect and layman of the se of Los Angeles, died October Funeral services were held at the h of St. Mary of the Angels, Los es, on October 18th by Bishop is of Los Angeles. The Rev. Neal , rector, was the celebrant at the em.

. Monroe was born in Damarissitaine, and was educated at the Art ite, Chicago, and the Atelier t Frères, Paris. Among the projrith which he was associated were n Diego Exposition, St. Columba's el and St. Paul's Cathedral, Los es, and the chapel at the Bishop's l, La Jolla. He was also chairman diocesan commission on architecfor many years, a trustee for the opal Home for the Aged, and a man at the Church of St. Mary Angels.

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Let's get back to elemental things for a moment. Sometimes we gloss over barest essentials in our beliefs, and too, too many times really and simply do NOT know the veriest beginnings of what all Episcopalians are supposed to know. Advent means "coming, or arrival." The Advent Season of our Church Year means that period when we look forward to and prepare for the coming of Our Blessed Lord. If that is true (and it is) then why in the name of goodness do we make such a solemn season of it-vestments all violet or purple, clear until Christ-mastide, the music sombre, and the preachings and the teaching even more so, if possible?

Well, what do you think that Our Blessed Lord came to earth for, just for a friendly little visit to His Father's people, to build up a bit of goodwill between earth and Heaven, and to do a bit of back-patting as He went along? You ought to know better. The Blessed Lord Jesus came on a mission that was so basic, so terrific, so important to mankind, and so necessary for Him to get across to mankind if He was to fulfill His Father's wishes, that any contemplation of it is so serious, so sombre, so solemn, that there can never possibly be any light note introduced into the Season-aye, in fact, Christmastide is not a time for frivolity either, but of solemn joy. Now that touch about Christmas alone is hard for the average Episcopalian to swallow, isn't it? Christmas, they think, should really be a letting down and a going-to-town in everything in anyway connected with revelling and frivolity. But The Church does NOT say so. It still hits the note of SOLEMN joy. Why?

The coming of Our Lord was to tell nastily sinning world of certain definite basic, elemental requirements of Our Heavenly Father, and some very certain, positive verities that all men MUST face. We must face the four verities which The Church stresses in Advent—Heaven, Hell, Death and The Judgement. There they are, you can't dodge them, and they represent the eternal justice of The Father. To those who live after Christ's teaching there is ultimate Heaven. To those who do not, there is ultimate Hell, and no fooling about it. To all of us, there is ultimate death of the body, and to those who spurn God, there is the ultimate death of the soul as well. And, finally there is that Judgement, the which time God will progression. at which time God will pass sentence upon us for the kind of lives we have lived and the degree in which we have let The Blessed Lord Jesus Christ find place in our hearts. Don't try to dodge that awful, terrible, solemn fact of The Judgement. It's THERE! Many do not want to face the FACT of it, but that

doesn't help them any. It's THERE!
So, when The Church attempts to teach its adherents what The Advent Season means, can't you see now why The Vestments are purple, the music solemn, and the mood sombre? How can you possibly want it any other way? The very RIGHTNESS of all that The Church teaches is a joy to our hearts, because Our God is so terrifically FAIR, and JUST, as well as loving. Let's really PREPARE for Christmas by living Advent through as becometh Episcopal Christians.

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